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Military Appreciation Day on Veterans Day -Tuesday, 11/11

5th annual "Big Texas Christmas Present" - Saturday, 12/13

## A New Partnership with Ram Trucks

DALLAS (Sept. 25, 2014) - Ram Truck announced today at the State Fair of Texas that it will partner with the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum to preserve and share the history of the renowned law-enforcement organization.

Ram Truck Brand President and CEO Bob Hegbloom marked the occasion by presenting a check for \$100,000.





From left corner to right corner of check: Major Dewayne Dockery of Co. "B,"
Ret. Capt Barry Caver and Ret. Chief Hank Whitman from TRHFM Board
and President and CEO of Ram Brand Bob Hegbloom

"Ram is proud to be associated with the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame

Presentation on Hopalong Cassidy's tour of Australia by Professor Durham Groves of the University of Melbourne -Saturday, 12/20



Game Day Schedule

Please Note: Parking lots at the Museum are closed to the public on **Baylor Stadium Home** Game Days --- the museum is OPEN to foot traffic. The remaining days for 2014 are 10/11, 11/1, 11/22, and 12/6. Persons with mobility issues and tour bus operators are advised that parking adjacent to the museum will not be available on those days.



Knox Center Rental Price Changes

The rental fees for John Knox Memorial Center have changed.

For more information on the changes, please click here. Thank you.



and Museum. Like the Texas Rangers, Ram has deep ties to the Lone Star State," said Hegbloom. "Texas Rangers are icons. They are heroes. They are recognized around the world as one of the foremost law-enforcement agencies."

Ram's support will help perpetuate and promote the heritage of the Texas Rangers via the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum in Waco.

"Ram Truck's leadership and commitment to Texas, and in particular, the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum speaks to the spirit of the people behind the brand," said Chief Hank Whitman, Texas Rangers, retired - Chairman Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum Board. "The Texas Rangers are a dedicated, enduring group of rugged individuals. Ram's support is only fitting, as we see the same values in their people and the hard-working trucks they build."



The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum is the official historical center of the Rangers and is preparing for the Texas Ranger Bicentennial in 2023.

"The Ram Truck brand, our owners, our dealers and The Chrysler Foundation are committed to making a difference in the communities where we do business," added Hegbloom. "Texas is truck country - Ram Truck country - and today's announcement allows Ram in

partnership with The Chrysler Foundation to assist the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum in making a positive contribution to preserving Texas Ranger heritage and helping foster its future."

To watch an interview with Ram Brand CEO Bob Hegbloom and Ret. Chief Hank Whitman, please click here.

## Welcome New Texas Ranger Chief Randy Prince



We are pleased to announce the appointment of DPS Region 5 Commander Randall Prince as assistant director/chief of the Texas Rangers. This announcement comes as Chief Kirby Dendy retires from DPS after having served with the department for 43 years.

Chief Prince has successfully led and overseen substantial accomplishments in Region 5 since 2011, and I am certain his commitment to the mission and values of this department will prove

invaluable as he leads the Texas Rangers forward.

- Steve McCraw, Director of Texas DPS

Welcome to the TRHFM Advisory Board

## Education Center New Application Fee

Due to the time required to maintain the center and schedule events, we have instituted an application fee. This fee will help maintain and fund TRHFM educational programs, such as Spring Break Round Up and Summer Camp. We appreciate your understanding and continued support of our outreach efforts. Thank you.



On Newsstands 10/7

The American Cowboy magazine's fall collector's edition features the Texas Rangers and the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum.

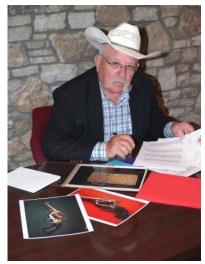
Please <u>click here</u> to order it online or visit your local bookstore.



**Education Center** 

The following groups utilized the Education Center for programs in September:

Please join us in welcoming new TRHFM Advisory Board members: author Bob Alexander of Maypearl and Mr. Bill Shank of Kingwood.

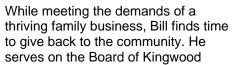


Bob Alexander is a native Texan and veteran lawman who began his policing career in 1965 and retired as a special agent with the US Treasury. He taught criminal justice courses while becoming a scholar of the Texas Ranger Frontier Battalion and the Special Force era of 1874-1901. He is the author of a dozen books about the time such as Winchester Warriors: Texas Rangers of Company D and Riding Lucifer's Line: Ranger Deaths along the Texas-Mexico Border. In 2004, the National Outlaw/Lawman History Association awarded him its Literary Award for Outstanding

Contributions to Western Historical Writing.

Mr. Alexander has organized events for the museum including *Barbs, Bullets & Blood: The Wire War That Revolutionized Texas* in September 2012 and *Lone Star History Conference* in May 2011 and May 2013.

Bill Shank was born and raised in Jacksonville, Texas. He received a degree in Finance from Texas Tech University. Moving to the Kingwood area in 1994, Bill joined Edward Jones and helped build his business to one of the company's top producers. In 2006, Bill and his son Christian Shank started their family business, Shank Wealth Management.





Medical Center and the Be An Angel Fund, a charity that helps children who are disabled. He has served on the board of the El Centro de Corazon, a charity for disadvantaged children in East Houston, the Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce and is a Lifetime Member of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

# Second Donation of Books Arrive From Author Rick Miller

Author Rick Miller made another significant donation of nearly 700 volumes to the Armstrong Texas Ranger Research Center.

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The collection covers a broad range of Texas and Southwest lawman and outlaw history. Miller used Ramon Adams' bibliography *Six-guns and Saddle Leather* as a guide to his collecting. The collection will provide a solid foundation for researchers on the subject of outlaws and lawmen in the American West. These resources will be invaluable to visiting researchers as well as in aiding in the creation of educational materials and exhibits. Our thanks to all our donors and supporters who make it possible to preserve this heritage for future generations. We are already looking forward to the next installation of books from Mr. Miller.

## Update on Texas Roots: The Art of Lee Herring

The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum presents *Texas Roots: The Art of Lee Herring* through January 11th. The exhibit features over 20 works of art by the 2007 State of Texas Artist. Mr. Herring is a master at capturing the American West. These works are available for purchase and 40% of the sale price will be donated to the Texas Ranger Museum's Bicentennial Fund to renovate and expand the museum in preparation for the Texas Ranger Bicentennial in 2023.



We have sold a third of the paintings in *Texas Roots: The Art of Lee Herring* in only the first month! Thanks to our generous supporters!

Preview the works at <a href="http://texasranger.org/leeherring.html">http://texasranger.org/leeherring.html</a>

#### Recap: Boots & Badges: Celebrating 50 Years

On Saturday, September 27th, the TRHFM celebrated the 50th Anniversary of its founding in 1964. *Boots & Badges* was a dinner and dance with keynote speakers Major Frank Malinak and Retired Chief Kirby Dendy. Major Malinak discussed the current duties of the Texas Rangers and Chief Dendy shared his experiences in his 43

years with the Texas DPS. The night concluded with a performance by the Chris Low Band.

Honored guests included the Baroness Jill Knight of Collingtree from Northhamptonshire, England. Lady Knight served in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force in World War II during the time of the Battle of Britain. She was elected to the British Parliament and served from 1966 to 1997. She is a trustee of Sulgrave Manor, the ancestral English home of George Washington.



Lady Knight was presented with an autographed Texas Ranger cowboy hat signed by (Left to Right) Major Frank Malinak, Chief Kirby Dendy and Acting Chief Bryant Wells.



Boots & Badges would not be possible without the generous support of our partners: Action Rental Center, On the Spot Catering, City of Waco, Texas Rangers, Texas Ranger Association Foundation, Holiday Inn Bellmead and Chris Low Band.

To see more pictures from the event, please <u>click here</u>.

Save \$2.00 Save \$1.00 off regular adult admission for up to two adults. Coupon not valid on discounted senior or military admission. No cash value.

The museum is open 9am to 5pm with the last guest admitted at 4:30pm. The museum is located off I-35 and University Parks Drive in Waco, Texas. For more information, call (254) 750-8631 or visit <a href="https://www.texasranger.org">www.texasranger.org</a>.

Offer expires: December 31, 2014

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